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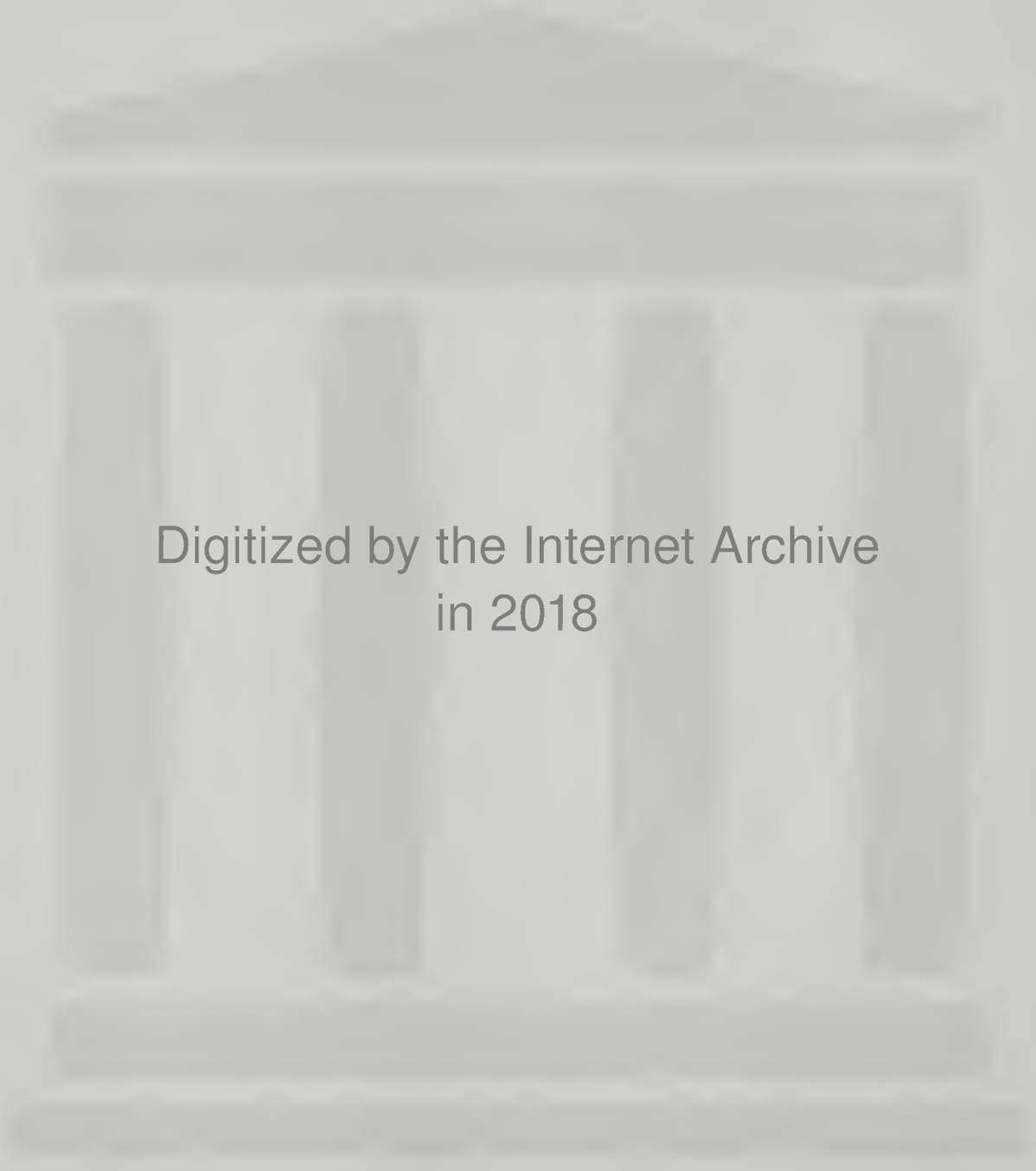
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GENEALOGY

of

THE BADLEY or BRADLEY FAMILY

South of the

NANTICOKE RIVER

and North of

BARREN CREEK

in

SOMERSET (now WICOMICO) County, Maryland

and along the State Line in

LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED
SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE

and of

SOME OTHERS

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B R A D L E Y F A M I L Y L I N E A G E

In the early records the name appears as Badley and/or Bradley. On the Peninsula the name Badley does not seem to be found elsewhere than south of the Nanticoke River and north of Barren Creek - in that angular section formed by the divergence of these two watercourses - and here the name Badley prevailed. Whether this is indicative of a possibly different ancestry, or was simply a variant spelling, has not been determined. Possibly the latter is an explanation. Soon the name Bradley began to be more generally if not always consistently used and by the end of the nineteenth century the name of Badley had become extinct.

Inasmuch as the name BRADLEY eventually became the accepted name of all, we shall be disposed as a rule to ignore the irregularity in the use of these two names, or lack of distinction between them, found frequently in the records. (*)

This study concentrates upon a family of Badleys or Bradleys who located here and whose progeny inhabited in general that section eastwards from Bacon Quarter (Riverton) to and across the Maryland-Delaware state line and southwards along this state boundary to the southwest corner of Delaware.

The first of our ancestors who can be identified, and maybe the first settler of this surname in the county, was John Badley of Somerset County (now Wicomico) in the Sharptown-Bacon Quarter (Riverton) area. Ref: Somerset Liber EB-1 folio 40. His wife was Margaret presumed to have been the daughter of Charles and Sarah Dean who seem to have had Dorchester background or connections. While Charles Dean does not mention a daughter in his will (Ref: Somerset Liber EB-4 folio 106) he does reserve from his sons 5 acres of land which he devised to John Badley "whereon his house now standeth" and the first son men-

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(*) Notably in many marriage bonds before 1860 the name is Badley.

tioned in John Badley's will was named Dean. Charles Dean, a wheelwright, came from Dorchester County about the end of 1729 to Somerset County. Ref: Somerset Deeds, Book SH O-17 page 211.

Who John Badley's ancestors were is a matter of conjecture but it is conceivable that he was a scion of the Bradleys of Dorchester County (see later) where they are to be found about 100 years before he appears of record in Somerset. The difficulty in tracing lineage of one whose ancestry was in Dorchester County grows out of the loss by fire in 1852 of the records of the Register of Wills' office for that county.

JOHN BADLEY

Ref: Somerset Liber EB-1 folio 40. John Badley whose will was probated Oct. 13, 1777 and his wife Margaret, thought to have been the daughter of Charles Dean who d-1764, had six sons and three daughters of record as follows:

Dean Badley		(see later)
John Badley	*	No record
Gideon Badley		(see later)
William Badley		(see later)
Richard Badley	*	No record - (dec'd - bequest (to heirs of)
Charles Badley	*	No record
Arcada Badley		(m) William Wilson
Sarah Badley		(m) _____ Taylor
Rhoda Badley		(m) _____ Robeson

*Probably died intestate

The descendants of Levin Cooper and Julia Ann Knowles, his second wife, can trace their lineage from three of the children of John and Margaret Badley as follows:

.....First.....

(1) John Badley who died in 1777 was the father of Dean Badley (2) Dean Badley who died in 1785 was the father of Charles Badley (3) CharlesBadley or Bradley who died in 1816 was the father of Polly Bradley (4) Polly Bradley (m) Samuel Cooper and they were the parents of Levin Cooper.

.....Second.....

(1) John Badley who died in 1777 was the father of Gideon Badley Sr. (2) Gideon Badley or Bradley Sr. who died in 1800 was the father of Gideon Bradley Jr. (3) Gideon Bradley Jr.

Note: Annapolis Records were not searched. Settled in Dorchester in 1674. See Page 26.

who died in 1845 was the father of Nancy R. Bradley (4) Nancy R. Bradley (m) Cannon Knowles and they were the parents of Julia Ann Knowles who married Levin Cooper.

.....Third.....

(1) John Badley who died in 1777 was the father of Arcada Badley (2) Arcada Badley or Bradley who married William Wilson was the mother of Mary Ann Wilson (3) Mary Ann Wilson married Ephriam Knowles and they were the parents of Cannon Knowles (4) Cannon Knowles was the father of Julia Ann Knowles who (m) Levin Cooper.

We will now proceed to give the genealogy of these three branches of the family and later the genealogy of some of their collateral branches.

DEAN BADLEY (Son of John)

Ref: Somerset Liber EB-1 folio 229. Dean Badley whose will wasprobated May 9, 1785 and his wife Adah _____ lived in the Bacon Quarter area and had the following issue of record:

Ephriam Badley	(m) Mary _____
Charles Badley	(m)
John Badley	Apparently D-unmarried
* William Badley	Ref: The wills of Ephriam and John, brothers
Eleanor Badley	(m) _____ Parimore

*Not mentioned in his father's will.
No other data about him.

EPHRIAM BADLEY (Son of Dean)

Ref: Somerset Liber EB-23 folio 26, Ephriam Badley whose will was probated Nov. 8, 1800 and his wife Mary (Polly) _____ lived in the same section as his father and had the following issue of record: Two daughters, Addah and Milley, a deceased son, and inference in the will of others unnamed. Bequests were made to two brothers, William and John, and to Betsey Ackworth, a daughter-in-law. The progeny of this scion has not been further traced.

CHARLES BADLEY or BRADLEY (Son of Dean)

Ref: Somerset Liber EB-23 folio 248. Charles Bradley

who lived around about Bacon Quarter near Dolls Branch died in the fall of 1816. His will was probated Nov. 25, 1816. It is not known who his wife was as her name has not been found of record. She no doubt pre-deceased him. They had a son and two daughters.

Severn Bradley		
* Polly Bradley	(m)	Samuel Cooper
Prissey Bradley	(m)	1st time - unknown 2nd Elisha Cordrey bf 7/26/1834 and after 2/11/1833 Ref: Som. Deeds O-57, page 442 Sussex DB #43, page 165

*This family group notably not consistent in use of surname.

other beneficiaries of will - grandchildren

Brittiana Bradley	)
Levin Cooper	) Children of Polly
Molly (Mary)B.Cooper	)
Clement Bradley	- Son of Prissey (Priscilla)

(Both names Badley and Bradley are found in this (family's records)

Severn Bradley d-unmarried and intestate c-1827 and from him substantial real estate holdings passed to the sisters, the older of whom maybe was Prissey. Prissey (Priscilla) late in life (before 7/26/1834) appears to have (m) a Mr. Elisha Cordrey.

POLLY BRADLEY (Daughter of Charles)

Polly Bradley 1778-1843 married Samuel Cooper d-c 1830 and they had the following children:

Brittianna Bradley	stepdaughter of Samuel, (m) license issued 10/10/1837 in Del., Ephriam Vincent
Mary B. Cooper	(m) Gideon Bradley and John Bradley
Levin Cooper	(m) Polly Walker and Julia Ann Knowles
Martin Cooper	1819-1847 d-unmarried
Elizabeth E. Cooper	(m) Elijah Bradley - 2nd wife
Severn B. Cooper	(m) Mary E. Weatherly

Brittianna Bradley first (m) _____ Mills, and after his death, then (m) Ephriam Vincent.

Ephriam Vincent and Brittianna (Bradley) Mills, his wife, of Barren Creek Springs (Mardela) had two sons: Luther M. Vincent (m) Betsey Shockley and Hamilton P. Vincent who never married.

Mary B. (Molly) Cooper 1811-1871 was married twice but had no issue. In Oct. 1830 she married Gideon Bradley who predeceased his father James Bradley who died in Dec. 1847. On Feb. 15, 1849 she married for a second time Capt. John Bradley, unidentified but said to have been the father, by a previous marriage, of Capt. Benjamin S. Bradley 1839-1907 whose home was between Riverton and Spring Grove.

Levin Cooper 1811-1892 of Barren Creek District near Double Mills and Polly Walker, his first wife, had two sons: Lambert H. Cooper (m) Martha W. Bradley and Severn H. Cooper (m) Alice P. Howard. Levin Cooper and Julia Ann Knowles 1826-1912, his second wife, had seven children:

Emily Ellen Cooper (m) Loudy J. Howard
Samuel James Cannon Cooper d-age 11
Virginia Ann Cooper (m) William Wailes Cooper
Nancy Elizabeth Cooper (m) Capt. James F. Adams
Levin Wesley Cooper d-age 19
Mary Priscilla Cooper (m) George E. Bennett
Laura Davis Cooper (m) Isaac S. Bennett

Elijah Bradley 1804-1848 of Barren Creek District near Spring Grove and Elizabeth E. Cooper 1821-1896, his wife, had two sons Azariah H. Bradley and John Wesley Bradley, neither of whom married.

Severn B. Cooper 1823-1896 of Sharptown District at Dolls Branch Bridge (Sharptown-Riverton Road) and Mary E. Weatherly 1818-1889, his wife, had three sons: John M. Cooper d-age 16, Levin T. Cooper (m) Susie W. Robinson, and Henry C. Cooper (m) Columbia Bradley.

Clement Badley or Bradley 1805-1887, son of Prissey, who last lived in Dorchester County near Rhodesdale, was married three times. His first wife was Margaret B. _____, his second wife Nancy M_____ 1812-1865, and his third a widow Bennett, mother of W. Hamp. Bennett et al., by whom there was no issue.

The known children of Clement Bradley and his first wife Margaret B_____ were as follows:

(1) William Charles Bradley 1825-1898 (m)
Mary A_____ 1829-1892

Issue: Washington J. Bradley b-1847 d-1914 at Chincoteague Island, had two children

	John C. Bradley	(m) Martha Wilson
	William F. Bradley	(m) Mary E. Taylor
Riverton	Atlas O. Bradley	(m) Ida Phillips
Family	Severn Bradley	(m) Linda Bradley
	Laura Bradley	(m) Albion R. Wright and Jos. Phillips
	Nora Bradley	(m) John Conley (or Conaway)
	Maggie Bradley d-6/15/52	(m) William Roger Bradley

(2) Margaret A. Bradley 1831-1913 (m) Capt. Lambert W. Jackson 1828-1912.

Issue:

	Mary Frances Jackson	(m) John N. Morgan
	George C. Jackson	1855-1890 d-unmarried
	Flora A. Jackson	(m) John T. Layton
Dorchester	Annie E. Jackson	1859-1871
Co. Family	Warren H. Jackson	(m) Margaret E. Phillips
	William S. Jackson	1865-1871
	Charles T. Jackson	(m) Addie M. Cordrey and Mabel E. Squires
	Irving B. Jackson	(m) Annie E. Corkran and Elizabeth Harper

The only known child of Clement Bradley and his second wife Nancy M. _____ was:

Louisa Jane Bradley 1837-1919 (m) Capt. Wm. John Jackson 1832-1901.

Issue:

	William E. M. Jackson	d-1884 age 16
	Mary Ann (Molly) Jackson	(m) Gillis E. Bennett
Sharptown	Olivia Jackson	1862-1944 Never Married
Dist.	Sallie Jackson	(m) John A. Wright
Family	Louisa Jackson	(m) Granville Howard
	Ella Jackson	(m) Payton Bradley
Nr. Old	Percy Jackson	(m) Wesley Moore
Snethen	Ethel Jackson	(m) Dawl Hitch.
Chapel		

Note: Francis M. S. Bradley, age 11, drowned at Conley's Point on 4th of July 1853 is said to have been a son of Clement and Nancy Bradley.

(Lambert W. and Wm. John Jackson were brothers)

JOHN BADLEY (Son of Dean)

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A58 page 49. John Badley whose will was probated June 11, 1799 appears to have died unmarried and without issue inasmuch as he willed all he had to his brother William.

(End of the Dean Badley branch)

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GIDEON BADLEY or BRADLEY, SR.,
(Son of John Badley d-1777)

Gideon Bradley, Sr. of Little Creek Hundred near the state line, whose will was probated Dec. 3, 1800, and his wife, whose name has not been found anywhere recorded, had without regard to their seniority the following known children: (Ref. Delaware Archives, Book A60 pages 84 and 85)

James Bradley	(m)	Mary Bailey
Richard Bradley	(m)	Peggy McGee
Gideon Bradley, Jr.	(m)	Priscilla A. Darby, daughter of Daniel.
Jesse Bradley	(m)	Alu_____ Ref: a deed Book 24 P. 253 Sussex Deeds
Elisha Bradley	(m)	Lottie Bailey - Ref: a deed Book 28 P. 259
John Bradley	(m)	Jane _____ - Ref: a deed Book 31 P. 427
Betsea Bradley	(m)	Horatio Taylor
Nancy Bradley		No Record
Leviney Bradley		No Record
Mary Bradley	(m)	Thomas Walker

No will or estate settlement has been found recorded for either Jesse, Elisha or John Bradley (or Badley) but not objectively searched for as collaterals. Elisha, John, and Leviney were minors at the time of their father's death and James became their guardian. In the year 1804, 1807 and 1814 respectively, Jesse, Elisha, and John appear to have sold the real estate which their father had devised to them to their three brothers James, Richard and Gideon.

Gideon Bradley, Sr. was one of the earliest ardent adherents and active leaders of the Methodist society below the Nanticoke River in southwestern Sussex and the extreme northern part of Somerset (now Wicomico) County. He, together with George Moore, Joshua Moore, Joseph Moore, Isaac Moore, and Thomas Jones, was a founder and trustee of the first church of this faith in that area - Moore's Chapel southwest of Laurel now known as the Mt. Pleasant Church.

Gideon Bradley, Sr. and his progeny were generally consistent in the use of the name Bradley instead of Badley.

GIDEON BRADLEY, JR. (Son of Gideon Bradley, Sr.)

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 pages 88-89 and family records. Gideon Bradley, Jr. of Little Creek Hundred b-8/25/1779 d-2/9/1845 and his wife Priscilla b-1/24/1777 d-12/6/1842, who was a daughter of Daniel Darby, had the following issue:

Elijah Bradley	(m) Eliza Darby and Elizabeth E. Cooper
Daniel D. Bradley	(m) Priscilla (Lovey) Walker
Nancy R. Bradley	(m) Cannon Knowles
Priscilla Bradley	d-unmarried Struck by lightning and died from its effects
Mary Bradley	(m) Lemuel Morris Mills

Like his father Gideon Bradley, Jr. was a staunch Methodist and actively participated in a movement which resulted in locating a church at Sharptown and this he loyally served as class leader, exhorter, trustee, and steward until his death about the age of 65.

Elijah Bradley 1804-1848 and his first wife, Eliza Darby, are said to have had a son who died an adolescent whose name was thought to have been Gideon. By his second wife, Elizabeth Cooper 1821-1896, he had two sons: Azariah H. Bradley and John Wesley Bradley, neither of whom married.

Daniel D. Bradley 1806-1845 and his wife, Priscilla (Lovey) Walker, had one daughter: Hester Ann Bradley b-7/31/1844 d-2/22/1913 who married Benjamin S. Bradley 1839-1907. The issue of Benjamin S. and Hester Ann Bradley was:

Lillie Bradley	(m) Oregon N. Bennett
J. Winfred Bradley	1872-1947 d-unmarried

After the death of Daniel D. Bradley his widow (m) Josiah E. Owens. She d-1856.

Cannon Knowles 1801-1882 and his wife, Nancy R. Bradley 1809-1892, had eleven children as follows:

Julia Ann Knowles	(m) Levin Cooper of Samuel
Gideon W. Knowles	(m) Sallie A. Taylor and Georgia Twilley
Mary Priscilla Knowles	(m) John Collins Bradley
James W. Knowles	(m) Nancy A. Robinson
Thomas Cannon Knowles	(m) Jerusa C. Melson
Elijah Daniel Knowles	(m) Mary English
Josephus W. Knowles	Never Married.
L. Sylvester Knowles	(m) Martha E. Walker
William A. Knowles	Never Married.

Nancy Elizabeth Knowles (m) Edward W. Records
Aseneth Jane Knowles Never Married.

Note: See Knowles Family.

Lemuel Morris Mills 1811-1870 of Barren Creek District near Spring Hill and his wife, Mary Bradley 1819-1888, had the following children:

George D. Mills	(m) Laura E. Ellis
Stephen Mills	(m) Alexine A. Bradley)sis-
Rufus Mills	(m) Phyllis H. Bradley)ters
Martha Jane Mills	(m) Theodore A. Phillips
Mary Ellen Mills	(m) James Waller
Laura Mills	(m) Herbert H. Hitch

The children of George D. Mills and Laura E. Ellis, his wife, were: Morris E., Roland J., Catharine (m) Stephen T. Ellis, Annie E. (m) John Mitchell, George A. (m) Ruby Brown, Amy (m) Edgar Gordy, Raymond S., Mansell T (m) Dixie Betts, Vernon R., and three others who died in infancy.

The children of Stephen Mills and Alexine A. Bradley, his wife, were: William D. Mills (m) Elizabeth Waller, Minnie May Mills whose name was changed to Minnie F. Dick, and Stephen Grover Mills.

The issue of Rufus Mills and Phyllis H. Bradley, his wife, was William Mills who married Katie Bailey. (Phyllis and Alexine A. Bradley were sisters and the daughters of William H. and Phyllis (Ralph) Bradley).

The children of Theodore A. Phillips and Martha Jane Mills, his wife, were: Emory R. Phillips (m) Madaline Humphreys, Margaret Ellen Phillips (m) James E. Boston, George Albert Phillips (m) Rosa Ellen Ellis, and Mary E. Phillips, who married Zora Cordrey.

The issue of James Waller and Mary Ellen Mills, his wife, was: Ella Waller who married James Anderson.

The children of Herbert H. Hitch and Laura Mills, his wife, were: Morris Hitch (m) _____, Ethel Hitch (m) William Oaks, and Sam Hitch who married Carrie Evans.

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The children of Emory Richard Phillips and Madaline Humphreys, his wife, were: William Larry Phillips (m) India

Twilley of Harlan, Albert W. Phillips, and James H. Phillips.

The children of George Albert Phillips and Rosa Ellen Ellis, his wife, were: Ira Ridgeway Phillips (m) Helen Rickards, and Mary Ellen Phillips.

Mills Progeny (Much of this family personnel (detail was furnished by W. (Larry Phillips)

BRADLEY - DARBY FAMILY ALLIANCE

Gideon Bradley, Jr., d-1845, married Priscilla A. Darby, a daughter of Daniel Darby. This Darby family has not been traced but such records as have been noted indicate that they were residents of that triangular section bounded by the Nanticoke River, Barren Creek, and, in general, the Md-Del state line.

WALTER DARBY

Walter Darby of Somerset County (now Wicomico) whose will was made on June 4, 1762 and probated March 7, 1763 (Ref: Somerset Wills, Book EB-4 page 100) left to survive him his wife Sarah _____, and the following children:

Thomas Darby
William Darby
Daniel Darby
John Darby
Benjamin Darby
Mary (Darby) Moore
Margaret (Darby) Rider
Elizabeth (Darby) Wright - (wf of Levin Wright who (d-1775) (m) 9/24/1760 Stepney Parish Records.

SARAH DARBY

Sarah Darby, the widow of Walter, whose will was signed Oct. 30, 1788 and probated Nov. 24, 1788 (Ref: Somerset Wills, Book EB-17 page 18) named as her heirs a son, Daniel Darby, who was her executor, and the following grandchildren:

Priscilla Darby)
Nelly Darby) daughters of Daniel Darby

Sarah Darby)
Betsy Darby) daughters of William Darby

Catron Darby	)	
Margaret Darby	)	daughters of John Darby
Mary Darby	)	
Mary Darby	)	
Nancy Darby	)	
Thomas Darby	)	children of Benjamin Darby
James Twiford Darby	)	
John Darby	)	

ARCADA BADLEY or BRADLEY

Refs: Somerset Liber EB-1 folio 40 and Delaware Archives Book A108 pages 134-136. Arcada Badley or Bradley, daughter of John and Margaret Badley, married William Wilson d.c April 1790 but she probably predeceased him as no mention is made of her in his will, or reference to a second marriage. William Wilson was survived by five sons and eight daughters as follows:

John Wilson		
William Bradley Wilson		
Samuel Wilson		
Thomas Wilson		
David Wilson		
Mary Ann Wilson	(m)	Ephriam Knowles
Aseneth Wilson	(m)	John Collins and Richard Knowles
Margaret Wilson		
Lovey Wilson	(m)	*
Arcada Wilson		
Eunice Wilson		
Sarah Wilson		
Nancy Wilson		

and of these Thomas, David, Arcada, Eunice, Sarah, and Nancy were minors at the time of their father's death. John Wilson was guardian to Thomas and Arcada and a Memory Wilson was guardian to Eunice, Sarah, David, and Nancy. It was this Wilson family who cared for the ten (10) minor children of Ephriam and Mary Ann Knowles after their death.

*Lovey apparently became the wife of Spencer Walker.

MARY ANN WILSON

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A82 pages 171-174. Mary Ann Wilson, daughter of William and Arcada (Bradley) Wilson, married Ephriam Knowles. Ephriam Knowles died about December 1802 and his wife, Mary Ann, died about the same time at least before Jan. 19, 1804, leaving ten minor children as follows:

William Knowles 1785-1857, the eldest child
Seneath Knowles
Ephriam Knowles
John Knowles
Mary Ann Knowles
Major Knowles
James Knowles
Thomas Knowles
Wilson Knowles
Cannon Knowles

(Refer to Knowles Family)

CANNON KNOWLES

Ref: Sussex County Will Book - probated May 23, 1882 - and family records. Cannon Knowles 1801-1882, the youngest child of Ephriam and Mary Ann (Wilson) Knowles, married Nancy R. Bradley 1809-1892, who was a daughter of Gideon Bradley, Jr. Their issue was eleven children as follows: Julia Ann, Gideon W., Mary Priscilla, James W., Thomas Cannon, Elijah Daniel, Josephus W., Lemuel Sylvester, William A., Nancy Elizabeth, and Aseneth Jane. (See ante.)

Cannon Knowles appears to have been reared by Spencer Walker whose wife was named Lovey and they devised to him, a nephew, a piece of land along Plumb Creek in Somerset (Wicomico) County. Ref: Somerset Liber JP-4 folio 76. The dwelling house on this was on the north side of a later new road (now the macadam road) from Sharptown to Riverton at Plumb Creek Bridge. Here it was that Julia Ann Knowles was born September 9, 1826. Cannon Knowles bought what later became his home farm Oct. 23, 1833 from Eli Badley. Ref: Sussex D.B.43 page 45. This farm was on the state line about two miles southeast of Sharptown.

*The above mentioned Lovey Walker evidently was a sister of Cannon Knowles' mother, Mary Ann (Wilson) Knowles. She had a sister named Lovey.

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It is interesting note from the foregoing genealogies that three divergent branch lines descended from John and Margaret Badley are reunited in the children of Levin and Julia Ann (Knowles) Cooper.

(SOME COLLATERALS FOLLOW)

S O M E C O L L A T E R A L D E S C E N D A N T S

of

G I D E O N B A D L E Y or B R A D L E Y (Senior)

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JAMES BRADLEY LINE (Son of Gideon Bradley, Sr.)

JAMES BRADLEY

Refs: Delaware Archives Book A60 pages 99-100 and Sussex Co. Orphans Court Records Book V page 65. James Bradley died intestate December 12, 1847. He married c-10/6/1796 Mary Bailey, dau. of Samuel Jackson Bailey. They lived in Little Creek Hundred near the state line. They had the following children:

Jesse A.D.Bradley	(m) Sallie Taylor
Severn Bradley	(m) Elizabeth Gillis - not traced
James V. Bradley	
Hugh Bradley	
Bartholomew Bradley	(m) Rebecca Windsor
Mary Bradley	(m) Samuel T. Moore

and not mentioned in his estate accounts two other known sons, both of whom probably predeceased him.

Samuel Badley or Bradley Ref: Samuel J. Bailey's will.

Gideon Badley or Bradley (m) Mary Cooper, dau. of Samuel.

Others, if any, unknown.

Find both names of record applying to some personnel of this family.

JESSE A. D. BRADLEY

Ref: Sussex Will Liber O-14 Page 234. Jesse A. D. Bradley 12/19/1801 - 5/12/1881 (son of James) and his wife, Sallie Taylor b-10/17/1801 who died March 30, 1876, lived in the same section as his father, if not on the same farm, and they had the following issue:

Christopher C.Bradley	(m) Hester Caroline Goddard
Flavius J. Bradley	(m) Rachel E. Howard
Joseph B. Bradley	No Record
Lucian M. Bradley	(m) * No data except given below.
Sallie Ann Bradley	(m) Manson Waller, Sr.

and other devisees are named in his will as follows:

Jesse A. D. Bradley G-son)
George P. Bradley G-son) sons of C. C. Bradley
Joseph Bradley G-son)
Two others unnamed Gr-chdn) children of Lucian Bradley

Sallie Ann Phillips Gr-dau.
Asa B. and Thomas W. English

*Lucian was married twice. Once c-1/25/1848 to Phoebe Eleanor Lynch.

JAMES V. BRADLEY

Ref: Sussex Will Book N-13 page 476. The will of James V. Bradley (son of James) was probated 11/18/1876. He lived in the same area as his father. He appears to have died unmarried and without issue. The following were his devisees:

Jesse A.D.Bradley, a brother
Washington J. Bradley)
James J. Bradley) children of
John D. Bradley) brother
Mary Bailey wf of Matthias Bailey) Bartholomew
Rebecca Bennett wf of W.Hamp.Bennett)
Amanda Beach wf of Levin Beach)
Thomas James Bradley, son of Christopher C.
Caroline Bradley wf of Christopher C.
Christopher C. Bradley)
Lucian M. Bradley) sons of Jesse A.D.
Abbe Ellen Bradley - not identified.

HUGH BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 page 93. Hugh Bradley (son of James) died in 1848 sometime between May 16 and Sept. 20 - Sussex Orphans Court Records Book V page 65, presumably unmarried and without issue. He devised his property to

Mary Bradley, his mother
James Bradley, his brother
James Bradley, a nephew)
John Bradley, a nephew) sons of Bartholomew
George P.Bradley, a nephew - son of Severn
Hester Ann Moore, a niece - dau of Mary (Bradley) Moore

BARTHOLOMEW BRADLEY

Bartholomew Bradley of Somerset County (son of James) married c-12/3/1829 Rebecca Windsor. He died (drowned) sometime between his father's death 12/12/1847 and Sept. 20, 1848 - Sussex Orphans Court Record Book V page 65. Other ref: Del. Arch. Book A60 pages 99-100. He lived in that part of Somerset that became Wicomico and was survived by the following children:

Washington J. Bradley	(m)	Sarah E. English
Amanda Bradley	(m)	Levin Beach
Daniel D. Bradley		No data
Mary Bradley	(m)	Matthias Bailey

Sallie Bradley		No data
James Bradley	(m)	_____
John Bradley		No data
Rebecca Bradley	(m)	W.H.(Hamp) Bennett

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS BRADLEY

Christopher C. Bradley, 1819-1896, (son of Jesse A.D.) of Somerset (Wicomico) County married c-12/14/1844 Hester C. Goddard, 1823-1895. They are buried in the Riverton Cemetery. Their issue was as follows:

Thomas J. Bradley	(m)	Martha Higgins
Pierce Bradley		Never married
Jesse A.D.Bradley	(m)	Octavia E. Bennett
Sallie E. Bradley	(m)	Turpin R. Bradley
Flora Bradley	(m)	Jack Shockley
Columbia Bradley	(m)	Henry C. Cooper

Others, if any, unknown.

FLAVIUS J. BRADLEY

Flavius J. Bradley (son of Jesse A. D. Bradley) of Little Creek Hundred in the Columbia section married Rachel E. Howard, dau. of Beauchamp, and they had the following children:

Leolen B.Bradley, d-1946	(m)	Clara Cooper
Payton Bradley	(m)	Ella Jackson
F.Wood Bradley, d-1955	(m)	Sadie Culver
Annie Bradley, d-1953	(m)	Robert H. Bennett
Sallie Bradley	(m)	Irving S. Owens
Linda Bradley, d-1950	(m)	Severn Bradley
Radie Bradley, d-1953	(m)	Jack Phillips

WASHINGTON J. BRADLEY

Washington J. (Capt. Jack) Bradley 1830-1908 (son of Bartholomew), who lived at the Wicomico end of the Vienna causeway and later at Mardela Springs, and his wife, Sarah E. English 1837-1910, had the following issue:

Albert S. Bradley	(m)	Christiana Donoho
L.B.(Bat) Bradley	(m)	Serena Taylor
Edward T. Bradley	(m)	Laura E. Russell
Percucie Bradley	(m)	John Adams
Josephine Bradley	(m)	"Buck" Walker
Mary W. Bradley	(m)	Oscar Russell

(Line not further traced)

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RICHARD BRADLEY LINE (Son of Gideon Bradley, Sr.)

RICHARD BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives (not indexed). Richard Bradley of Columbia section of Little Creek Hundred b-6/4/1774 d-7/19/1864 is thought to have been the Richard who married c-11/13/1794 Peggy McGee, dau. of Benjamin. They had the following issue:

Richard Bradley, Jr. (m) Phoebe Allen
Freeman R. Bradley d-circa 1887 Never married
Betsy Bradley Never married
and two other known children not referred to in his will
James K. Bradley (m) Anne Scovimont
Nellie Bradley (m) _____ whose dau.)
Elizabeth Bradley (m) Levin Wilson Wright and)
were the parents of Dr. Josephus A. Wright, et)
al. Later Nellie Bradley (m) Levin Lank of)
Seaford. She died 12/25/1851.)
Other children, if any, unknown.

RICHARD BRADLEY, JR.

Richard Bradley, Jr. d-Feb. 1841 (son of Richard, Sr.) married in 1828 Phoebe Allen d-1891. They had the following issue:

Allen Riley Bradley (m) Elizabeth A. Collins
John A. Bradley (m) Frances Beach
James F. Bradley (m) Margaret Cooper, dau. of John
Richard H.L.(Lee) Bradley (m) Sallie E. Owens
Major D. Bradley (m) Delilah L. Cooper, dau. of John
Sina Arzena Bradley (m) Matthias D. Wilson
Rachel Bradley (m) Aaron Silas Owens

Allen Riley Bradley b-1828 and his wife, Elizabeth A. Collins, last lived in Dorchester County near Vienna. They had the following issue:

James A.Byard Bradley (m) Maggie Maxwell
Sallie Bradley (m) Rufus J. Phillips and 3 others, last being Saul Willey, Sr.
Emma Bradley (m) Samuel P. Twiford
A. Grant Bradley (m) Elizabeth Twiford
F. Webster Bradley (m) Ethel C. Bradley, dau. of James F.
Richard Bradley (m) Mary McFaddin Todd'
Fred Bradley (m) Sallie Sheldon
Allen R. Bradley, Jr. Never married

John A. Bradley 1832-1910 and his wife, Frances Beach, of the Columbia section of Little Creek Hundred eventually located in or around Bethel, Delaware. They had the following issue.

Elijah Bradley	(m) Euphania Phillips
Frank Bradley	(m) Fannie Maston and Sallie Ralph
Sallie Bradley	(m) George Cordrey
*Handy Bradley	(m) Lizzie Burton (He died circa 1898)
Martha Bradley	(m) Capt. Manlove Eskridge
Effie Bradley	(m) Capt. Clayton D. Knowles, 2nd wife

* Handy Bradley had a son, George, who was reared by his grandparents.

The issue of Matthias D. Wilson and Sina Arzena Bradley, his wife, was as follows: John, Wash, Lee, William, and Levin J. Wilson. There were also two daughters, one of whom was named Anna.

Some of the data about the preceding families of the Richard Line was from Elmer M. Bradley, son of R.H.L.Bradley.

Aaron Silas Owens 1825-1900 and Rachel Bradley 1836-1911, his wife, had no issue. They reared Levin J. Wilson, or at least he lived with them during their declining years. Their home was near Sharptown.

James F. Bradley 1834-1918 and his wife, Margaret Cooper 1844-1927, daughter of John, lived in the Columbia Section of Little Creek Hundred and at Sharptown. They had the following issue: (Will probated 10/3/1918 - Sussex Will Book X-23 pg. 107)

Francis W. Bradley	(m) India Twilley and Nettie E. Catlin
Lini E.(Stella) Bradley	(m) Levi L. Taylor
Ethel C. Bradley	(m) F. Webster Bradley
Clara S. Bradley	(m) Carl H. Bennett

Richard H. L. (Lee) Bradley 1839-1914 and his wife, Sallie E. Owens 1849-1919, lived in Delaware near Sharptown on the Sharptown-Columbia Road. They had the following issue:

Starrie Bradley	(m) William J. Smith
Gurtha Bradley	(m) T. Clayton Gootee
Elmer M. Bradley	(m) Nannie Wright

Major D. Bradley 1841-1912 and his wife, Delilah L. Cooper 1849-1918, daughter of John, lived in Delaware nearby his brother R. H. L. Bradley, and at Sharptown. They had the following issue:

Gula Bradley	(m) Ira Catlin
Lucy Bradley	(m) William Bennett
Bessie Bradley	(m) Joseph Morris.

JAMES K. BRADLEY

Ref: James Robinson's records. James K. Bradley 1798-1863 (son of Richard Bradley, Sr.) married c-3/21/1821 Anne Scovimont 1798-1865. Their home was located on the Sharptown-Bacon Quarter (Riverton) road at the first water saw mill on and bridge across the Marrow Bone Creek. They had the following children:

Angeline M. Bradley	b-1821	No data
Turpin R. Bradley	b-1823	(m) Sallie E. Bradley and had issue (see later)
Noah J. Bradley	b-1825	d-in Balto.
Elzey T. Bradley	b-1928	d-1860 (m) circa 2/13/1856 Eliza J. Graham
Emeline E. Bradley	b-1829	(m) James Robinson
Eleanor A.M.Bradley	b-1832	(m) John B. Twiford
Isaac V. Bradley	b-183_	No data

The issue of James Robinson 1825-1910 of Sharptown and his wife, Emeline Ellen Bradley 1829-1908, was as follows:

Elizabeth A. Robinson	(m) Alexander W. Goslee
Rachel J. Robinson	(m) Thomas Drennen
Laura E. Robinson	(m) John W. Covington
Albert W. Robinson	(m) Ida O. Twilley
Eugene A. Robinson	(m) Lottie Cline

and three others who died in infancy.

The issue of John B. Twiford 1826-1902 of Sharptown and his wife, Eleanor A. M. Bradley 1832-1860, was as follows:

James W. Twiford	(m) Margaret A. Hearn and Mary Fisher
Louisa C. Twiford	(m) Major A. Robinson and Capt. Robert Higgins
Sina E. Twiford	(m) William I. J. Phillips

The issue of Turpin R. Bradley 1823-1889 of Sharptown-Riverton road at Marrow Bone Creek and his wife, Sallie E. Bradley of C. Columbus,was as follows:

Lester Bradley	d-1883, age c-14, drowned
Annie L. Bradley	d-1878, age c-7
Laura Bradley	(m) Jethro Robinson
Leona Bradley	
Joseph W. Bradley	d-1952, age 70, unmarried

There were two other sisters:

_____	(m) Arthur Lecates, Delmar
_____	(m) Charles Gibson, Baltimore

Others, if any, unknown.

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WILLIAM BADLEY

Ref: Somerset Book EB-1 page 112. Will probated Feb. 2, 1779. This William Badley may have been a brother but is presumed to have been William, the son of John Badley who died in 1777. An Elizabeth Badley was appointed his executrix. His sons were:

James Dean Badley	(m) Betsey Dean Badley
Eli Badley	No record
Wilson Badley	No record.

JAMES DEAN BADLEY

Ref: Somerset Book EB-17 page 608. James Dean Badley and his wife, Betsey, whom he married c-12/17/1788 had two daughters: Tempy and Mary. Will probated 4/17/1797.

(Line not further traced)

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C O M M E N T

The James Bradley d-1791 and Thomas Badley d-1816 of Somerset County, on the next page, were presumably of the same lineage but just what their family connections were has not been determined as the immediate antecedent of neither of them has been found of record. It is possible that more exhaustive research, which the writer has not been able to make, might reveal the answer.

Apropos to the above, it is to be noted that the names of his deceased son Richard's heirs, to whom a bequest was made, were not given in the will of John Badley, which was probated October 13, 1777, but the following is probably more credibly significant:

On the same day, November 5, 1742, that John Badley bought of William Taylor 50 acres of land south of Plumb Creek in the Sharptown-Riverton section (Ref: Somerset Deeds, Book

O-21 page 25) a Samuel Badley bought of James Tulley 50 acres of land on the north side of the northernmost branch of Barren Creek in the Hardy Mill section (Ref: Somerset Deeds, Book O-21 page 26). Each of them subsequently acquired other land in their respective sections. These settlers may have been brothers and conceivably sons of Richard Bradley d-1749 of Great Choptank, Dorchester County. (see later)

Furthermore, property of Samuel Badley in the above mentioned area appears to have been later conveyed to Thomas Badley (Refs: Somerset Deeds, Book O-26 page 168 and Sussex Deeds, Book 21 page 101), which leads to the conjecture that Thomas may have been a son of the aforesaid Samuel. Samuel Badley must have died intestate as no will or testamentary accounts have been found of record for him, and thus left no obvious clue in respect to his progeny.

Thomas Badley resided in the same locality north of the Hardy Mill stream and along the state line, became possessed of a substantial estate, and was the progenitor of a large and prominent posterity as will appear.

JAMES BRADLEY

Ref: Somerset Book EB-17 page 141. Will probated 3/26/1791. James Bradley and his wife, Anna _____ were survived by the following daughters:

Mary Jackson wf of _____Jackson
Leah Bradley
Sarah Bradley
Nelly Bradley
Hannah Bradley

and other beneficiaries under his will were:

Millie Bradley Jackson)
Elizabeth Jackson) probably grandchildren
Bradley Jackson)
Nancy Jackson)

Sarah Bradley, presumably a daughter of James, died in 1813. She devised her property to a friend, Thomas Humphreys. Ref: Somerset Book EB-23 page 194.

(Not further traced)

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THOMAS BADLEY LINE (Immediate antecedent unknown)

THOMAS BADLEY

Ref: Somerset Book EB-23 page 253. Will probated 6/3/1817. Thomas Badley b-5/10/1750 d-5/19/1816 and his wife, whose name has not been found recorded, had five sons and three daughters as follows:

* John Badley	(m)	Mary E. _____
William Badley	(m)	Esther Nicholson, dau. of Huffington
Thomas Badley		No data
* Jonathan (N) Badley		No data **
James (Weatherly) Badley	(m)	Jane Collins/and Sarah Vinson***of Isaac
Sarah Badley	(m)	_____ Dean
Polly Badley	(m)	_____ Nicholson
Nancy Badley		No data

* John and Jonathan N. Badley sold land, possibly their inheritance, to their brother William. Ref: William Badley or Bradley's will

** Jane Collins, b-2/6/1797 d-10/20/1831, dau. of John and Seneth Collins.

*** The surname Vinson became Vincent.

JOHN BADLEY

Ref: Somerset Book SCL-5 page 17. Will probated 11/22/1859. John Badley, son of Thomas, and his wife, Mary E. _____, were survived by a dau. Sally Bennett. A beneficiary named in his will was a brother, James W. Badley or Bradley.

WILLIAM BADLEY or BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 pages 120-123, will probated 5/4/1841. William Bradley (son of Thomas Badley) and his wife Esther Nicholson, had the following issue:

Stephen Bradley	No record
William H. Bradley	(m) Phyllis Ralph, dau. of Charles
Josiah J.H.Bradley	(m) Mary Ann Truitt
Benjamin Bradley	(m) Tabitha Phillips, dau. of Roger
Huffington N. Bradley	No record
Jacob Bradley	No record
Jonathan I. Bradley	No record
Sallie Ann Bradley	(m) Elijah Phillips -?
Eleanor Bradley	(m) Outerbridge Neal.

WILLIAM H. BRADLEY

William H. Bradley of Barren Creek District near Delaware line (son of William d-1841) and his wife, Phyllis Ralph, had the following issue: *

Martha W. Bradley	(m)	Lambert H. Cooper
Georgia A. Bradley	(m)	B. W. B. Adkins
Phyllis H. Bradley	(m)	Rufus Mills
Alexine A. Bradley	(m)	Stephen Mills
Julia A. Bradley	)	
Sarah E. Bradley	)	Never married
Mary J. (Mollie) Bradley	)	
Wm. J. C. (Charles) Bradley	)	

*(Ref: Personal knowledge)

JOSIAH J. H. BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 page 107. Will was probated Jan. 4, 1848. Josiah J. H. Bradley was survived by his wife Mary M. Bradley - marriage bond gives the name as Mary Ann - and a daughter Mary E. Bradley. Other beneficiaries in his will were his brothers William H., Benjamin, Huffington, and Jacob.

BENJAMIN BRADLEY

Benjamin Bradley of Barren Creek District near Delaware line (son of William d-1841) and his wife Tabitha Phillips, had the following issue: William Roger, Isaac, Rebecca, Ella, and Hester. (Ref: Personal knowledge)

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JAMES W. BADLEY or BRADLEY, SR.

Ref: Somerset Book SCL-5 page 60 and records from Joseph W. Phillips a grandson. Some of the personnel of this family probably were among the last to use the name Badley. James Weatherly Badley or Bradley of Sharptown or vicinity (son of Thomas Badley d-1816) was born 6/25/1795 and died 4/17/1860. He was married twice. His first wife was Jane Collins 1797-1831 and his second wife was Sarah Vincent 2/6/1797-1864. The issue of the first marriage was:

Thomas D. Bradley	b-1820	(m)	Matilda Morris
John Collins Bradley	b-1822	(m)	Mary Priscilla Knowles
Arcada Wilson Bradley	b-1824	(m)	Goldsborough W. Phillips
Mary Jane Bradley	b-1826	(m)	Ephriam Knowles of William

James W. Bradley, Jr. b-1827 (m) Nancy Lavinia Bennett d-1857 and Reaetta English, m-1867
Nancy Twilley Bradley b-1829 (m) Samuel S. Walker
and the issue of the second marriage was:
Margaret S.E.A.Bradley b-1836 (m) Jonathan A. Nichols
Hester Emily Bradley b-1838 (m) James Elzey
Isaac W. B. Bradley 1843-1851

The Collins and Vinsons both attended Moore's Chapel, a Methodist Church five miles from Sharptown.

Floyd Bennett has the Bradley Bible.

The children of Thomas D. Bradley and Matilda Morris, his wife, of Camden, New Jersey, were: James Lee, Thomas Henry, George McClelland, Isaac, Matilda, and three others who died in infancy. Matilda (m) Joseph Connelly from Sharptown.

The children of John Collins Bradley 1822-1871 and Mary Priscilla Knowles 1831-1907, his wife, of Sharptown were: Nancy Jane, Julia E. A., John Wesley Albert, Mary Almeda, and Annie C. who died in infancy. The records show that John Collins Bradley made a will 1/17/1860. (see Knowles family.)

The children of Goldsborough W. Phillips 1817-1886 and Arcada Wilson Bradley 1824-1902, his wife, of Sharptown were: Sarah E. A. (m) James E. Selby, Noah J. E. 1844-1844, Joseph J. 1846-1866, Noah Wilson 1848-1866, William I. J. (m) Sina E. Twiford, Arenia Eveline (m) Katesby R. Torbert, Mary Eugnie (m) Frederick S. Burford, Ida Alice (m) Isaac J. Gravenor, Augustus W. (m) Sarah E. Taylor, and Joseph Wilson Phillips (m) Elizabeth P. Groves.

The children of Ephriam Knowles d-circa 1856, age 33, and Mary Jane Bradley 1826-1919, his wife, of Sharptown, were: Eleanor J., William J., George Henry, John Allison, and Mary E. (Molly).

The children of James W. Bradley, Jr. 1828-1904 and Reaetta English, his second wife, of Sharptown, were: Elma (m) J. Wesley Gravenor and Hester (m) Benj. I. Waller. Issue of first wife, Nancy Lavinia Bennett 1834-1857, was a son, Wm. J. L. Bradley, b-6/5/1857 d-9/16/1857 (Bible records).

The children of Samuel S. Walker and Nancy T. Bradley, his wife, of Sharptown, were: *

John J. W. (Wash) Walker	(m) Mary E. Robinson
Samuel T. Walker	(m) Patience A. Rider
Margaret Jane Walker	(m) William J. Higman and George H. Hitch
Sarah Emma Walker	(m) Isaac J. Rhodes
Emanuel E. Walker	Located in North Carolina
George H. Walker	(m) Kate Walker of Natty
Mary Anna Walker	(m) Zora McWilliams

*These were their full names and probable order of seniority.

The children of Jonathan A. Nichols and Margaret Sarah Elizabeth Ann Bradley, his wife, of Sharptown, were:

William J.	(m) Belle Shockley
Lucy I.	(m) John Crossan, Wilmington
Flora Elnora	(m) Wm. E. Otwell, Bridgeville
Sam. H.	(m) Annie Robinson, Laurel
Naomi	(m) Jonathan R. Bennett, Sharptown
Almira	(m) Harry Dickerson, Ellendale
Calvin S.	Single, Laurel, R.D.
Cora J. C.	(m) John Collins, Blades

The children of James Elzey and Hester Emily Bradley, his wife, of near Salisbury, were: Cornelia, Luther, Charles, Ira, Norris, Dorothy (m) John Hurley, Harvey, Olin, and Robert.

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E A R L Y B R A D L E Y S

of

NORTH WEST FORK HUNDRED, DELAWARE and CAROLINE COUNTY, MARYLAND

The following appear to have lived in that section of Dorchester County which later became North West Fork Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware, and Caroline County, Maryland.

Nothing has been found to disclose the relationship, if any, between this Bradley family and the Badleys or Bradleys south of the Nanticoke River in northern Somerset (Wicomico) County and western Little Creek Hundred, but it does seem very plausible to guess that both of these groups were descended from Henry Bradley who came to Dorchester County in 1674.

WILLIAM BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 page 113, his will was probated 11/4/1784. He appears to have been pre-deceased by a

son, Jacob, and a daughter, Nancy, who (m) Charles Brown. He was survived by three sons and two daughters named in his will as follows:

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William Bradley
Joseph Bradley
Isaac Bradley
Mary Bannister
Betty Freeny

Other beneficiaries named in his will were:
Charles Brown, son-in-law
William Brown, grandson
William Bradley, grandson - son of Joseph
Polly , granddaughter - dau. of Isaac.

JACOB BRADLEY

Ref: Caroline County Book CC No. A page 190. The will of Jacob Bradley was probated Jan. 20, 1775. He was a son of William Bradley above and apparently died unmarried. He devised his property to the following:

William Bradley, a brother
Isaac Bradley, a brother
Joseph Bradley, a brother
Mary Bannister, a sister
Nancy Caldwell
Jacob Kinder

WILLIAM BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 pages 116-119. The will of William Bradley (son of William d-1784) was probated 11/25/1814. He appears to have died unmarried and devised his property to the following:

Elizabeth Little, a niece
Polly Wilson, a niece
Joshua Bradley, a nephew
William Brown, a nephew
Betsey Cade, wf. of John Cade
Heirs of brother, Joseph Bradley
Heirs of brother, Isaac Bradley
Heirs of sister, Nancy Brown

ISAAC BRADLEY

Ref: Delaware Archives Book A60 pages 95-98. Isaac Bradley died in October 1843 and he devised his property to the following:

Eliza A. Bradley, his wife
Joseph Bradley)
John H. Bradley)
Francis R. Bradley) sons
Isaac Bradley)

Jane R. Bradley	)	(All children
Susannah H. Bradley	)	(appear to have
Mary Ann Bradley	) daughters	(been minors
Amelia C. Bradley	)	
An unborn child		
Eleanor Bradley, a niece		

A study of the estate accounts justifies the conclusion that the following Bradleys of record at the Delaware Archives in Book A60 are of this family group and of the same residential area.

Pages		
110-112	Thomas Bradley	d-c1787
94	Isaac Bradley	d-c1796
108	Peggy Bradley	d-c1797
79-80	Cannon Bradley	d-c1801
102-103	Joseph Bradley	d-c1803
91-92	Henry Bradley	d-c1806
109	Priscilla Bradley	d-c1811
114-115	William Bradley	d-c1811
104-106	Joshua Bradley	d-c1817
81-83	Eleanor Bradley	d-c1834
101	John B. Bradley	d-c1836

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P O S S I B L E B A C K G R O U N D

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The first of the BRADLEY family found of record in Dorchester-Somerset section of the Eastern Shore was HENRY BRADLEY of Dorchester County who settled there in 1674 with Mary, his wife; and Richard, Henry, and William, his sons; and Samuel, his brother. Ref: Annapolis - Liber 18 folio 90.

SAMUEL BRADLEY

Ref: Maryland Calendar of Wills. Will was probated 5/12/1674 and what he had was devised to his landlady Phila Rawlings of Transquakin, and to his brother, Henry.

HENRY BRADLEY

Ref: Maryland Calendar of Wills. The will of Henry Bradley of Dorchester County was probated 7/1/1679 and his heirs were Mary, his wife, and six children, as follows:

Richard Bradley
Henry Bradley
William Bradley
John Bradley
Josias Bradley
Mary Bradley

RICHARD BRADLEY

Ref: Maryland Calendar of Wills. The will of Richard Bradley of Great Choptank was probated 1/30/1749 and his heirs were Ailse, his wife, and ten children as follows:

Christopher Short Bradley	
John Bradley	
Richard Bradley	
Samuel Bradley	
William Bradley	
Elizabeth Bradley	(m) MacDaniel
Anne Bradley	(m) Cook
Sarah Bradley	(m) McKenney
Ailse Bradley	(m) Cook
Mary Bradley	

It is quite conceivable that the first Badleys or Bradleys south of the upper Nanticoke River and north of Barren Creek in Somerset County came from this Dorchester County family. Likewise the Bradleys north of the Nanticoke River in North West Fork Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware.

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